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**U.S. ATTORNEY MICHAEL GARCIA ANNOUNCES EXECUTIVE STAFF**

MICHAEL GARCIA, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, today announced his Executive Staff.

CATHY SEIBEL was named Deputy United States Attorney. Ms. SEIBEL, who has served the Office since 1999 as Senior Trial Counsel in the Criminal Division of the White Plains Branch, has been a member of the Office since September 1987, when she joined the Criminal Division as an Assistant United States Attorney. Ms. SEIBEL was Chief of the General Crimes Unit from August 1993 through May 1995. She also served as Assistant United States Attorney-in-Charge of the White Plains Branch from June 1997 through March 1999. Ms. SEIBEL is a 1982 graduate of Princeton University, and a 1985 graduate of Fordham University School of Law. Prior to joining the Office, Ms. SEIBEL clerked for United States District Judge JOSEPH M. McLAUGHLIN in the Eastern District of New York.

LEV DASSIN was named Chief of the Criminal Division. Mr. DASSIN comes to the Office from Kaye Scholer LLP, where he has been a partner since 2001. Mr. DASSIN previously served the Office as

an Assistant United States Attorney in the Criminal Division from 1992 through 1998. After his term in the Office, Mr. DASSIN worked as an associate at Morrison & Foerster LLP in 1999 and at a software company that he co-founded in 2000. Mr. DASSIN is a 1987 graduate of Cornell University, and a 1990 graduate of New York University School of Law. Prior to joining the Office, Mr. DASSIN clerked for United States District Judge DAVID N. EDELSTEIN in the Southern District of New York.

Mr. GARCIA welcomed Ms. SEIBEL and Mr. DASSIN to their new positions.

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